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## The Perkins Report

## From Director of Athletics and Head Football Coach Ray Perkins



Almost everywhere I've gone since I returned to Alabama I have been asked if I have had any problems making the transition from being a coach in the National Football League to being football coach at Alabama. Certainly there are changes involved, in some cases substantial differences, but I wouldn't say there have been problems. On the contrary, I would say it has been a very pleasant transition. It's important to remember that I was raised in the South and educated at The University of Alabama, and wanted to be the football coach at Alabama, and I was enthusiastic about returning.

From strictly a football aspect, the professional game and the college game are much the same. That's basically because the NFL has passed its rules according to college rules. For instance, at the league meetings one year we passed the college rules in the kicking game regarding no blocking below the waist. As a result of this similarity, college football games are moving more and more towards the game that is played in the NFL. I think within four or five years every college team will be running a multiple offense similar to that seen in the NFL and the offense we are using. That's not to say there are not other good offenses, but others are limiting. From the standpoint of having been involved in a multiple offensive scheme for a number of years, I may have had a little advantage in making the transition.

It would seem that an obvious change would be the skill levels of the players, with NFL players being far superior to college players. However, a player can be a truly great college player even though he might not have what it takes to play professional football, because of the position involved or for some other reason. Surprisingly, though, some college teams could have skill at some positions that is better than some pro teams might have. We've got a couple of positions that are better than what we had in four years at New York. I'm not going to say what they are.

I'm closer to our players here than I was to our players in New York primarily for one reason: I've had an awful lot of our players come to see me just to sit down and talk. You don't get that on the pro level. Once they sign that contract they go their own way. I've had a chance to have many exchanges with our players in a short period of time. Over this same period when I went to New York I knew far fewer of my players. Of course, I was going about things in a different way there because I went into a situation where they had not been winning and where it was my responsibility to establish a system for winning. On the other hand, I came into a good situation insofar as winning tradition is concerned here. The attitude of college players and pro players is different. College players play because they love the game; some pro players are in it strictly for the money. I personally know of one pro player who got upset when he was traded because the team he was traded to was going to make him a starter and he didn't want to get hurt.

The environment of college is the biggest change for me. There's a lot more spirit here; the entire atmosphere of a college campus is so alive in comparison to professional football. It's a lot more exciting with everyone involved.

Working with a younger age group of players is much more fulfilling to me because they are so eager to learn. I enjoy having players who are in a learning environment. We put in a new offense in the spring and they learned it better than pro players would have in the same length of time. I'm convinced it has to be related to them being in a learning environment. I don't think the offense we put in was all that difficult, but they seemed to pick it up better than pro players would. It wasn't a chore for them; it was a learning experience and they were excited about it.

I've been about one hundred times busier here than I was in New York because I have a lot of other things to do. In the pros all you do is coach football. You don't have alumni groups, you don't have booster clubs, you don't have civic clubs, you don't have high school games, you don't have anything except coaching football. In our first few months back it seemed that I was talking to one or two groups every day. It's not inconceivable that a pro coach could take off two or three months of the year, but a college coach who takes a day off falls behind. I never accepted a speaking engagement during football season when I was in professional football. I might do an occasional coaching clinic at the Super Bowl or something like that. I'm not going to change that too much, although I have accepted three speaking engagements during football season this year-at quarterback clubs in Birmingham, Tuscaloosa and Montgomery. I wouldn't take any others because to do so I would have to leave the football field before the end of practice, and I don't intend to be gone from football practice.

There's a difference in college and pro football in getting football players. In the pros it's the draft, while in college it's recruiting, which is the difference in buying and selling. In the pros we paid for our players, and now we're selling prospects on our program. A part of the recruiting process is evaluating players, and I took a substantial role in that with the Giants. I don't know of any other professional coach who worked out players prior to the draft, but I would work 35 or 40 players each year myself. It's not the same as recruiting, but it's similar to a segment of the recruiting process, which is rating them.

Recruiting is the lifeline of a college football program. I can see where it could get old, but I like it. To me it's totally different challenge than coaching football, which may be why I enjoy it.

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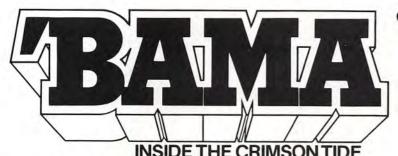
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### Freshmen Update:

## **Early Contributions Are Many**

by Kirk McNair

reshmen on a football team are similar to new members of a family—they are welcomed warmly, but little contribution is expected immediately of the young arrivals. For that reason, it's generally assumed that a recruiting class can't be judged for two or three years, after the members of that class have had an opportunity to contribute.

However, like professional pollsters predicting the outcome of an election on the basis of early returns, a strong case can be made that the 1983 Alabama freshman class is a winner.

Tide head coach Ray Perkins insisted during the pre-season that the degree of success of this year's team would be determined in great part by the contributions of incoming freshmen. Alabama has started off on a winning note with high national ranking and several freshmen have been immediate contributors. Although Coach Perkins was counting on freshman help, even he has been surprised at the contributions of his first year men.

"One of the things we talked about before the season was what kind of contributions we could expect from our freshmen," he said. "I think we had a super recruiting year more than anything else. I thought we'd have maybe five or six freshmen who could play this year."

Thus far 12 true freshmen have seen game action for the Crimson Tide. While only one—walkon placekicker Van Tiffin—could be termed a starter, several other first year men are top backup performers. There are also eight other men listed as freshmen who are seeing duty with Bama (including starters Wes Neighbors at center and Freddie Robinson at cornerback), but they are redshirted freshmen who have been through a year of Alabama practices.

Coach Perkins has been free in his praise of the newcomers. He called Tiffin "the best young kicker" he has ever seen. He said that Cornelius Bennett, who is challenging Steve Booker at weakside outside linebacker, had a chance to be the best linebacker ever at Alabama (and that covers some past talent). He noted that any fear of a lack of depth at wide receiver had been overcome by the early



Cornelius Bennett came to Alabama as a talented running back, but the only time he'll be handling the ball now as an outside linebacker will be as against Ole Miss when he came up with a fumble.

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performance of Greg Richardson, even before the Tide had pulled on pads in preseason work. After freshmen had been timed in the 40-yard dash, he noted that 6-7, 290-pound Bill Jordan's 5.0 time was as amazing as Richardson's 4.3 and said that Jordan (who has not seen any action this year owing primarily to the position he plays) had a chance to be as good as any offensive lineman in Alabama history. Inside linebacker Wayne Davis (who was named Southeastern Defensive Player of the Week by United Press International for his nine tackles, one interception performance against Ole Miss), noseguard Curt Jarvis, halfback Kerry Goode and quarterback Mike Shula are among others who have been singled out by the head coach.

Other true freshmen who have seen varsity competition in the first month of the season are fullback Andrew Gilder, walkon flanker Mike Graham, inside linebacker Phillip Brown, safety Britton

Cooper, and defensive back Ricky Thomas.

Breaking in is sometimes very hard to do. "The first play I was in against Georgia Tech I stood straight up and got blocked," said Jarvis. "I told myself in the huddle I had to settle down and think about what I'd been daught. I was thinking that 77,000 people were watching only me on that first play."

Jarvis has settled down enough to become a top backup man at noseguard and has turned in seven tackles. Bama's second leading tackler through the September games was Bennett with 22, while Davis was among the leaders with 15.

Tiffin has very impressive statistics, having hit six of nine field goals and all 12 of his extra point attempts to lead the team in scoring. His 14 kicking points against Vanderbilt tied an Alabama record for one-game kick scoring (set by Bill Davis against Vandy in 1973).

B asically, a player recruited and signed by a school with the national reputation of Alabama was a top prep star who had almost an unlimited choice of colleges, some of which would offer an immediate starting job. Bama signees are offered only a chance.

"I was recruited by Coach (Ken) Donahue," remembers Jarvis. "He told me when he was recruiting me that he wasn't afraid to play a freshman if the freshman proved that he was good enough to play, but he wouldn't make me any promises. That seemed fair to me." Davis had a similar experience. "I didn't expect to play as much as I've played so far," he said. "Coach Perkins was straightforward. He told me I had a chance to help the team if I came in and worked hard. Nothing more."

Because of previous success in football, it is likely that all of the Alabama freshmen had private dreams of coming in and starring immediately for the Crimson Tide. However, those who have played with the varsity thus far say they are surprised. "I didn't think I'd make it this soon," said Jarvis. "I knew I had a lot to learn and that I'd really have to listen to my coaches to have a chance. I was hoping I'd get to play a little bit, but my going in a lot has surprised me."

Richardson, who surprised Ole Miss with a 51-yard pass reception and a 62-yard punt return for a touchdown in Bama's second game, said he was surprised to be playing "because I didn't really think I could play this early. When I came here I wanted to play. I didn't care where it was—kickoffs, punts, anything. I just wanted to play." Cooper wasn't even that hopeful: "I didn't think I'd get this much playing time," he said. "I thought maybe I'd get a chance to travel."

Perkins says that the two most difficult places for a freshman to break in are at quarterback and in the offensive line. None of the offensive linemen has threatened for playing time, but Shula has seen limited action. "I wasn't real sure when I would get a chance to play," he said. "I knew anytime I did get a chance to play it'd be beneficial to me and I'd be fortunate."

redit for the success of Alabama's freshmen could be shared several ways. Certainly the skills of and applications of those skills by the players themselves is a primary reason they are contributing to the team. They have had to achieve both mentally and physically. "Freshmen here are going to have to work twice as hard as everyone else," said Davis. "It's been a big adjustment for me. I've learned more about football in the



Freshman noseguard Curt Jarvis got blocked on his first play as a Tider, but he's been handing out his share of punishment since.

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Greg Richardson (17), one of the fastest Tiders, is making a contribution in several areas for Alabama.

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last three weeks than I learned in four years of high school." Jarvis noted that "the biggest adjustment is mental. You have so much to learn." But it's physical, too. Jarvis adds "You can get intimidated around here. You've got players just as big as you and just as strong as you. You can't come in here thinking you are unbeatable because you're going to get whipped when you get here."

The freshmen give credit to their coaches and their new teammates for a measure of their success. "I still think of myself as a rookie," said Jarvis. "The upperclassmen may kid me about being a freshman, but they have really been a help to me. Mike Rodriguez has helped me a lot. Randy Edwards has helped me out a whole lot, too. Everybody helps everybody."

The assistant coaches are generally credited with both teaching and pushing. "My coach (Rockey Felker) told me he was going to make me or break me," said Richardson, smiling. "He has pushed me pretty hard." The coaches have also given the freshmen much encouragement, keeping up their confidence.

But Tiffin admits he's not as confident as his head coach is of the young kicker's ability. "I really don't know what to say about that statement by Coach Perkins," he said. "I'm happy he thinks I'm that good. That's a lot better than I think I am, but maybe the day will come when that will be true."

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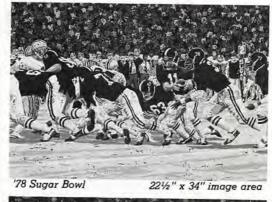
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Coach Perkins has gone on record as being against the controversial proposal to prohibit freshman participation, and he was against it before he realized how much help he was going to get from first year players in 1983.

Freshmen were granted eligibility in 1972 when the NCAA limited the number of football scholarships to 95 and basketball scholarships to 15. To offset the loss of freshmen on varsity rosters, the select committee suggested the scholarship limit be raised to 104 for football (with a limit of 26 signees per year) and 16 for basketball. Students would be given three years of eligibility, but would have four years after their freshman year in which to complete that eligibility.

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### Calvin Smith:

### The Fastest, The Quietest Among Stars



### by Tommy Deas

He's the fastest human in the world, but when he walks across the quadrangle on the University of Alabama campus, or when a teacher calls his name on the class roll, few heads turn.

But Calvin Smith does not run for fame or recognition, and he wouldn't change things if he could.

Sure, Smith's life has changed since he set the world record in the 100 meters this summer at the National Sports Festival in Colorado Springs, Colorado, but the quiet 22-year-old former Alabama track star is not the type person who seeks the kind of publicity he has received. He has no agent and he doesn't hit the talk-show circuit. He would be more suited to do an American Express commercial, because so few people outside of the track world know his name.

When he recorded a 9.93-second run in the 100 meters on July 3, beating Jim Hines' record of 9.95 that had stood since the 1968 Olympics, Smith became a superstar. His life will never be the same.

"It has changed many things," he said. "I'm known to more people now since that world record. I have been recognized more as a good runner. There are a few people who do recognize me (around campus). I think in the U.S. there are less track fans. In Europe there are more people that recognize me on the streets or wherever I go. I'm glad to not get more attention here because I have to go to school and stuff, and I prefer a more relaxed type of atmosphere."

Smith has ended his days of running for the Crimson Tide. He was decorated eight times in his four years at Alabama as an All-American. (In track an athlete can be named All-American in any number of



Calvin Smith, a decorated track star from Alabama, has his eyes on the Olympic Games.

Joel Barnes Photo

events for both indoor and outdoor seasons.) He finished his senior year leading the Tide to a third-place finish in the NCAA Championships, although he failed to place first in any event. Despite all the awards, including a Calvin Smith Day in his native Mississippi, he sees the running as bringing him an unconventional reward.

"Basically, it's just going out and running and having fun, and basically travel, which I love. Track has enabled me to go around the world and see different places and enjoy them," Smith said.

The world record, of course, is something that the 5-foot-9, 140-pound speedster will never forget.

"I was surprised because when I went to the meet I wasn't thinking about a world record. I was feeling a little tired and I just wanted to run a good time. Then I came out with a world record, and I was just surprised, feeling the way I was feeling to have run a world record," he said.

Success and skepticism, however, sometimes grow on the same vine, and Smith earned as many doubters as fans with his record. The record, they said, was a fluke because it was run so far above sea level. He didn't let it get him down. Instead, he came back to turn in a 9.97 in the 100, tying American teammate Carl Lewis' record for the best time at sea level, and a 19.99 in the 200 in one meet in Switzerland, the fastest sprint double in history. That gave him respect in the eyes of the track fraternity.

"I feel that, as some others have told me, running the 9.97 and the 19.99 in Europe in front of the European people gave me more respect as a true sprinter, and it helps them to believe more that I have run the 9.93 because they were able to see it over there," he said.

Seeing Smith run is something like watching a rocket reach escape velocity. A notoriously slow starter, he never seems to reach a peak in the race, building faster and faster with each step. A good example was his second-place finish in the 100 at the World Track Championships in Helsinki, Finland, this summer. After a slow start, he caught up with the leaders, and with a burst in the last five meters passed two runners and threatened Lewis, who won the race. When he runs, his body is totally relaxed. He looks more like a man waking up from a nap than one struggling to a strong finish.

"You try to teach a sprinter to be real loose in the jaws," said Alabama sprint coach Wayne Williams, who recruited Smith. "If you've seen Calvin run, you'll see his jaws flap. In other words, he has no tension in his shoulders. He's just an adequate starter, but that's not necessarily detrimetal. It's not anything major. Some parts of your race are just better than others."

With Smith and Lewis rated neck-and-neck as the world's top two sprinters, preparations will be important when the Olympics roll around in Los Angeles in 1984. Smith will work at Alabama under Williams and compete with the Track America team while he finishes his final two semesters of work toward his public relations degree. He plans to work with the same people he has been, including Emmit King, his former teammate at Alabama, who also runs for the United States in the 100 meters and with Smith on the 4 x 100 relay team.

"I plan to start back in October," Smith said, "and I plan to do a kind of quartermiler type of fall workout which will give me the strength and endurance I will need for the 200 and the 100. I plan to speed up my work a little, because I need to be at my best in June (for the Olympic Trials). I usually start my speed type of workouts at the end of April. I guess I'll have to move that up at least two weeks.

"I just want to stay healthy and prevent all types of injuries. I want to try to get in as many meets as possible, because I feel that I'm going to need to run in a lot of meets. I'm used to running in a lot of meets for the University, and I don't want to make a big change in my running in the last years."

Smith wants to make the United States Olympic team in the 100, 200 and 4 x 100 relay. His goal: "Hopefully, three gold medals."

"I would say at this point when you've got sprinters like Calvin, Emmit and Carl Lewis, any one can win at any time," Williams said. "He's got to go in there with that in mind to win three gold medals. If he wins two golds and a silver or a gold and two silvers, or even a gold, a silver and a bronze, I'd say he's had a tremendously successful meet."

What's it like running for the United States instead of the Crimson Tide?

"Running for the University in the red and white was more of a close network of a team, more togetherness because you have the relays and stuff of that nature. Running for my track club is more like an individual thing. Hopefully, it will become another network for me, because I plan to run relays for my track club this year. I think it will be more like a close family again."

Smith is getting another kind of look at a different type of family life since he was married in September to Melanie Patterson of Sylacauga. He met her at Alabama during their freshman year, and they are finishing their studies together. With track such a big part of his life, she must have enjoyed it from the start, right?

"No. She thought track was very boring."

Now Melanie Smith is a running fan, at least where her husband is concerned. She may travel with him to some of the meets this year, and when the Olympics begin, he says, "She will definitely be there."

With things having worked out so well for him at Alabama, it's hard to believe the Bolton, Mississippi native almost chose to go to Mississippi State,

"Strangely enough, I started recruiting Calvin before I saw him run," Williams said. "Greg Martin, a discus thrower from Pascagoula, Mississippi, had finished his season at Alabama and sent us some

newspaper clippings and asked if I had heard of him. I had, but I had never seen him run.

"I talked to him and he told me that he wasn't interested in Alabama, that he was going to Mississippi State. He was very quiet. He would barely talk to you. I saw him run for the first time in Chicago in an international meet. I had been talking to him for about a month at that time, and I had pretty much convinced him that he needed to look at some other schools, whether it was Alabama or somewhere else. He ran a hand-timed 10.1 100 meters. About the time he finished his senior year in high school, he was getting literature from 50 to 100 schools."

It was at a meet at Karl-Marx-Stadt, East Germany, last summer that Smith finally broke through and ran to the potential he thought he had. He ran a 9.91 100 meters, which was wind-aided by 2.1. Had the wind measured just a fraction slower, at 2.0, it would have stood as a world record and Smith would have reached his fame a year earlier.

"I felt I could run as fast as I have run," he said. "but it was just getting to the point and doing it. I think last year at Karl-Marx-Staft, that really gave me the encouragement and the feeling that I could run very fast, under 10 (seconds) flat. I think that was the big turning point in my track career."

Williams, too, has always had faith in Smith. He said that although he has "just come into his own as far as the public is concerned," he had always thought that highly of him. "I have said he runs the turn (in the 200) better than any runner in the U.S. Since then I have heard some people say he runs it the best in history."

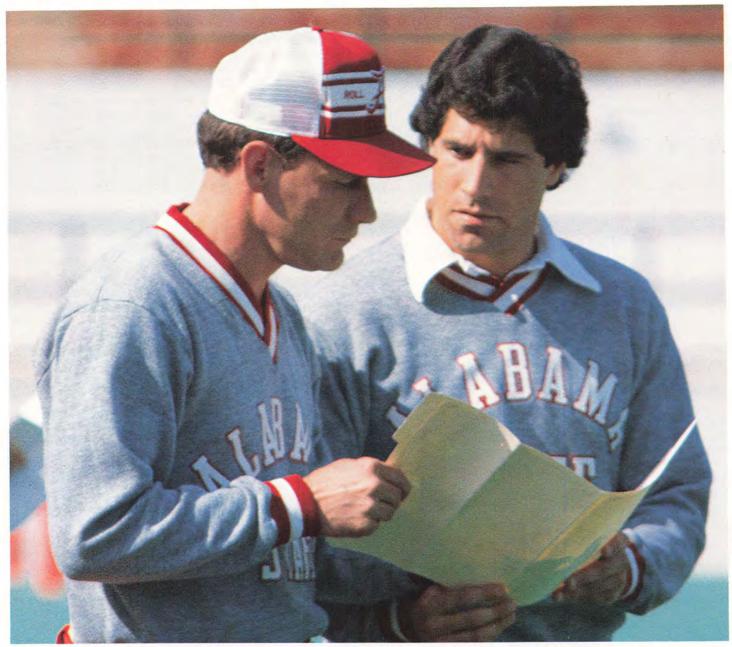
Although Williams is first a coach to Smith, the two have a relationship that goes farther than track. "I'm through at school running for him, but he's ready to help me out in any kind of coaching I need, answer any questions I have," said the student. "And any type workout I need to do during the summer, he's willing to help me with that."

But it will be Auburn Coach Mel Rosen who will guide the sprinters on the U.S. Olympic Team. Smith is willing to put personal rivalries aside, although he would have never guessed that things would have happened that way.

"No, I wouldn't really have thought that," he said. "Coach Rosen, being such a good coach as he is, I think that he could help benefit the U.S. I know Coach Rosen and I have been around him at different meets. I feel that he's a very good coach, and I don't see any problem with him. I think it will be very good."

### **Meet The Staff:**

## Alabama Is Home, At Present



Louis Campbell (left) plots sideline strategy with Steve Hale at an Alabama game. He is a dedicated coach, who develops defensive stars.

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### by Al Browning

ouis Campbell has the look of a head coach—in professional ways and, amusingly, in a literal way.

As the man who coaches University of Alabama defensive secondary personnel, he has developed two All-Americas, Jeremiah Castille last year and Tommy Wilcox in 1981 and 1982. Also, he has developed football hawkers who have come up with several pass interceptions during crucial moments in games.

But when it comes to looks, consider the strong physical resemblence he has to famous Dallas Cowboys Coach Tom Landry. They differ a great deal in years lived—Campbell is 33 years old, Landry 60—but it is startling how much they look alike.

Case in point: "When I was coaching at Southern Methodist four years ago, we were watching television at home when Coach Landry popped onto the screen," Campbell said. "Shep, my oldest son, who was only two years old then, noticed

Coach Landry on the screen and started yelling, "Mama, there's Daddy!"

Case in point: "I was in the airport at Dallas one day when an elderly lady approached me with a pen and piece of paper in her hand. She asked me for my autograph. Well, she kind of asked me for my autograph, because about the time she got around to saying 'autograph' she realized she had made a mistake in identity. I told her, 'Lady, I'd be pleased to give you my autograph, but I don't think you know who you're talking to.' I don't know

who was more embarrassed, me or her."

The comparisons between Campbell and Landry go beyond bald heads and squinting eyes, because both coaches are well-organized individuals with strong Christian faiths and dedication to their respective families. In the case of the assistant coach from Alabama, that means an uncompromising love for his wife, Ila, and their two sons, Shep, 6, and Steadman, 2.

And, it seems, such affections constitute gain for the Crimson Tide, because it keeps Campbell from actively seeking a head coaching position somewhere else.

"First of all, you have to crawl before you can walk," Campbell said, "and I'm still learning a lot coaching at Alabama. I love this place, and, as a family, we love Tuscaloosa. I've got two kids at home, which is a heckuva lot more important to me than being a head coach somewhere. And, as Coach (Paul "Bear") Bryant taught me when I worked for him, hard work will open the right doors down the road. If I work hard, which I will, and The Lord has it in his plan for me to be a head coach someday, then that'll happen at the right time."

For now, Campbell is content with his second round as an assistant coach at Alabama. He worked as a graduate assistant in 1973 and 1974, after a standout playing career at Arkansas. He went to SMU for three seasons, then returned to the Crimson Tide for a post-national championship season in 1980.

"When I got the chance to come to Alabama as a graduate assistant coach I was thrilled," Campbell said. "But when Coach Bryant offered me the chance to come back in 1980, well, that thrilled me even more. I always thought of it as a great honor for him to think enough of me to ask me to return as a full-time member of his staff. Coaching at Alabama is exciting, and I'm just as thrilled to be working for Coach Ray Perkins here as I've ever been. He's a super person to work for. He's totally dedicated. He's a worker. He says there is no way to break down the body. Whew!

"I'll be the most surprised person in the world if we're not successful at Alabama."

If the Crimson Tide is to be successful this season, a lot seems to depend on development in the defensive secondary. It is a no-name, no-star group accented by youth and enthusiasm. It is there that the so-called experts say Alabama is lacking talent and depth.

The challenge is massive.

The man saddled with it is excited.

# "As a coach would say, it was a questionable call. As a player like me would have said, and probably did say, we got cheated."—Louis Campbell on the 1971 Liberty Bowl game.

"Frankly, it's not so bad being without an All-America in the secondary," Campbell said. "Now, I'm not stupid. I know it'd be great to have three or four players like that back there. But sometimes a bunch of no-names, if you want to use that description, can blend together into an outstanding unit. I'll be surprised if we get anything other than total effort from our people this year. They're eager. They have some talent. They want to win.

"As for the pressure involved, well, there are only two people I've got to satisfy, myself and Coach Perkins. I'm hard on myself. I'll know if I do the job. If I don't, Coach Perkins will know it, too, and then I'll have more problems than just trying to take a bunch of super guys and developing them into a strong secondary."

Those who know Campbell, his abilities and his unselfish ways, are betting he will have a broad smile on his face at the end of the season. It is almost a certainty that he will coach his players to the limits of their potential, and it is a dead certainty that he will commend them when accolades are in order.

It was a glowing grin Campbell had after the Liberty Bowl last December, in which Alabama defeated Illinois 21-15 and, to the equal delight of him, Castille claimed most valuable player honors after intercepting an event-tying three passes.

Guess who shares the Liberty Bowl record with Castille?

"When I heard the public address announcer say Jeremiah had tied a record with his third interception, I knew exactly what record he had equaled," said Campbell, a grin on his face. "And, yes, that was thrilling to me, especially since we went on to win the game."

Yes, in the 1971 Liberty Bowl won by Tennessee over Arkansas, 14-13, Campbell intercepted three passes for the Razorbacks. Those thefts helped his

career total reach 14, which makes it not surprising he earned all-Southwest Conference laurels.

"Ah, I wasn't that good," Campbell said, modestly fibbing. "I can assure you that I couldn't play in this day and age. I was at Arkansas before integration, and I weighed 185 pounds totally wet.

The Liberty Bowl fame?

"That doesn't matter much," Campbell said. "Oh, I think about it every time I go into that stadium, but the memories are bittersweet because we lost a hard-fought game. It was a controversial game, the one that triggered a move toward neutral officials for bowl games (officials from outside the conferences of participating teams). Tennessee got a couple of calls in that game that I've never been able to understand. One of them, a most unusual holding penalty, deprived us of a field goal that would have won the game for us.

"As a coach would say, it was a questionable call. As a player like me would have said, and probably did say, we got cheated."

Campbell, a native of Hamburg, Arkansas—''That's one of the big three in a famous triangle," he said, "with Fordyce, the home of Coach Bryant, Crossett, the home of (Coach) Barry Switzer (of Oklahoma), and Hamburg, the home of Louis Campbell''—has had little time to contemplate his disappointments stemming from that loss to Tennessee. He has been a coach on the move, a man totally dedicated to his profession.

"Since my high school days I've always wanted to coach football," Campbell said. "It's in my blood. It's the intangibles that make it so rewarding, seeing a young person develop skills and character. It's a never-ceasing flow of excitement, the season, recruiting, spring practice and getting ready for another season.

"I don't have a boring life, for sure, and I'm thankful The Lord gave me the chance to make a living doing this at Alabama."

### Off The Path:

# Two Bits, Four Bits, A Holler

"Rammer Jammer, Yellow Hammer, Give 'Em Hell, Alabama!"

by Sue Harrison

or those who don't know, the yellow-hammer is the state bird of Alabama and the three lines above comprise a favorite cheer, second only, perhaps, to "Roll, Tide, Roll!" in popularity among University of Alabama cheerleaders.

"There's nothing like it," said head cheerleader Carla Knight, who enrolled at Alabama to realize her dream of becoming a Crimson Tide cheerleader.

"Alabama has always been great in every sport and receives lots of recognition. People around the South idolize Alabama cheerleaders like we look up to University of Southern California cheerleaders," said Knight.

The 12 varsity cheerleaders, half are male, have been yelling, jumping and tumbling three hours every day since August 6 to be ready to cheer for Coach Ray Perkins' team.

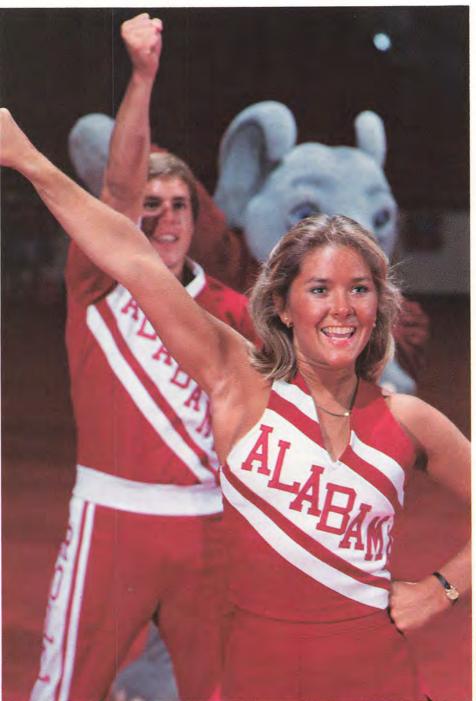
"He wants us to be the best squad in the nation," said cheerleader sponsor Kathleen Randall.

"Coach Perkins called us in right away as soon as he settled in here. He said the cheerleaders are very important to Alabama athletics. Our job is to be the most skilled and attractive squad we can as we motivate the crowd. Also, Perkins wants our pep rallies to draw larger and more spirited crowds than ever before. The popularity of the rallies has waned in recent years.

"Perkins has also enlisted the cheerleaders help in recruiting football and basketball players.

"Most importantly, the squad will initiate more communication between fans and themselves."

The varsity squad consists of the following females: Knight, Marti Glaze and Julie Smelser of Tuscaloosa; Jeri Arendall of



Alabama cheerleaders Jeri Arendall (front), Sam Lovingood work hard in front of Big Al the mascot.

Spectrum Southeast Photo

Mobile; Lisa Davis of Camden and Lisa Grider of Huntsville.

The stronger half of the squad, which often will be found supporting the base of a pyramid, consists of Carl Dann of Orlando, Florida, Ty Hare of Andalusia, Doug Ruggles of Sheffield, John Turner of Birmingham, and Sam Lovingood and Chip Shields of Huntsville. Joseph Johnson of Dothan is the "mike man," the booming voice behind the microphone who will lead the crowd in cheers.

Although Randall has sponsored the cheerleaders since 1975, her official title is associate director of campus activities. She advises students in activities from

Greek Rush, to Student Government Association, to Spirit Committee.

"We have a veteran squad this season so we'll take advantage of that," said Randall. "The fans have an important role to play. Improvements in crowd spirit must be accomplished, especially at basketball games, so we can establish a powerful home court advantage.

"We've been working on new strategies with (basketball) coach Wimp Sanderson so spirit will stay alive on timeouts. Coach Perkins believes creativity in cheers is a key to fan participation at football games."

She pointed out the most important

duty of cheerleading: crowd control.

"You give hostile crowds a cheer to help them vent their feelings, said Randall. "We have a game plan just like the football team.

"We'll plan our actions for every situation in this manner: If *this* happens, *this* is what we'll do."

The squad works closely with the Million Dollar Band to drown out obscenities, but Randall insists a good, loud "Roll Tide" will always do the trick.

The life of a varsity cheerleader involves long hours creating, practicing and polishing cheers and tricks.

"It's real time consuming and sometimes I wish I could be at this party or that sorority function, but I love every minute I'm down on the field cheering," said Knight. "Sometimes it's like having five extra classes, being a cheerleader. You get up in the morning, go to classes, practice in the afternoon, then go study or attend an alumni, charity or some other function. But being from Tuscaloosa, I love Alabama and cheering for the Tide has always been my goal."

Besides the cheering, which most folks think is the squad's only job, cheerleaders participate in Christmas parades, visit sick alumni or their children, attend a wide range of campus functions, sign autographs, make public relations appearances and donate time to the muscular dystrophy campaign.

"I've met people on trips I'd never had a chance to," said Knight, a senior majoring in public relations.

Randall's fondest memories are of late Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant's final game, the Liberty Bowl, last December.

"The press party for 'Bear' was magnificent. So many important people paid tribute to him all evening long. We also met Miss America." said Randall.

Knight recalled Coach Bryant's 315th victory as her favorite memory in her three-year cheerleading career.

"I will be able to tell my kids I was there. I was a part of the game in which 'Bear' became the winningest coach in history," she said.

"When we went to the Cotton Bowl, I danced with Bob Hope and Johnny Cash on a stage at Billy Bob's, the largest bar in the world. It was unbelievable. We were on stage with four or five stars."

As long as the squad makes curfews and doesn't forget to bring the correct uniform (as someone did last season) trips to games far away are adventuresome.

Trips on the agenda this season include to Penn State and to Boston College, plus a Christmas jaunt with the basketball team to Japan.

Plans have been set for the cheerleaders to attend five away basketball games, but Randall points out that Sanderson is trying to get the cheerleaders funds to travel to more.

"He wishes to round up fan support for the Tide basketball team at opposing courts to take away some of that advantage teams have over us," said Randall.

The squad not only had games and trips to prepare for, but a National Cheerleading Championship in December.

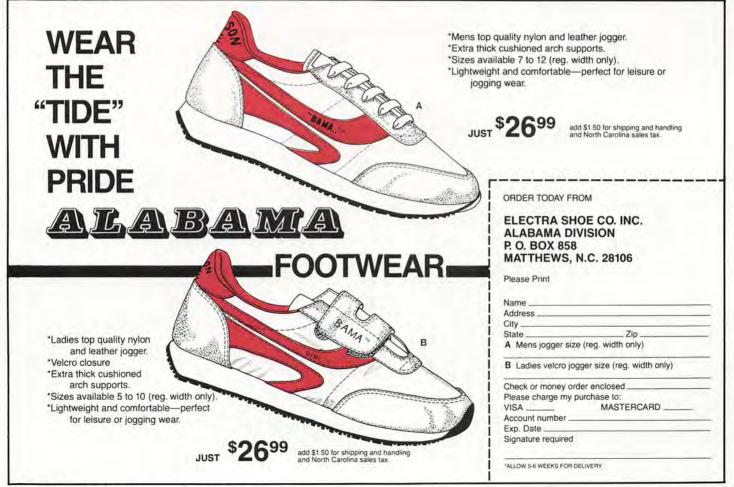
"We will make a film of a cheer at a game, then submit it to the judges," said Randall. A winner will be chosen from each region to perform at the Hula Bowl half-time.

Immediately after the basketball season is finished, tryouts for the next year's squad begin.

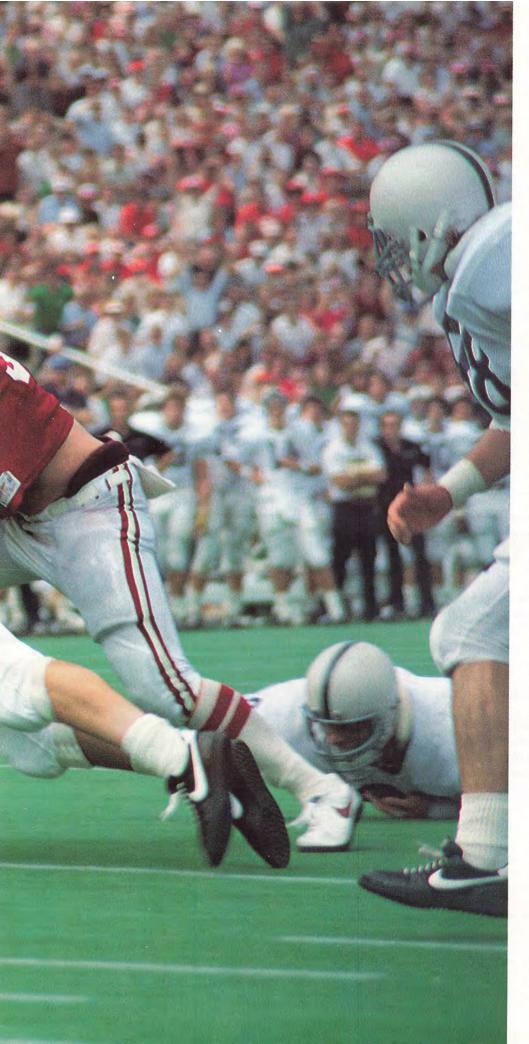
"I received over a hundred letters last year seeking information about varsity cheerleading tryouts," said Randall. "Cheerleading is a sport within itself, and tryouts are extremely competitive.

"We get jazz and traditional dancers, gymnasts and advanced cheerleaders from all over in tryouts."

"Out of the 100 or so girls who try out, we will cut to 20. Usually, no more than 20 guys try out."







## **Linnie Patrick:**

## Still Alive, Still Good —Confident

by Al Browning

niversity of Alabama football, rich in tradition, has had more than its share of colorful players through the years, performers who have made headlines on the field and, sometimes in a negative sense, off the field.

When heat is applied to moisture, a fishbowl can become cloudy.

You can ask Linnie Patrick about that. He knows something about the glory and the gore associated with playing college football, the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat, if you prefer an overworked, boring description. He has wined and dined, then whined and, in a non-literal sense, died while listening to exaggerated descriptions of his alleged lazy ways at practice, unwilling ways in the classroom and wicked ways off the field.

In short, Patrick, a running back who was once ballyhooed as the finest prospect ever to sign a Crimson Tide grant-inaid, a prep star once destined to cast a blinding collegiate glow, has not lived up to expectations. He was supposed to grab the football world by the tail and shake it until it presented him with a Heisman Trophy— he even stated that his goal was to win three such awards—but he has become more of a survivor than a superstar.

Where have the years gone? After all, Patrick is a senior.

Who silenced the drumrolls and trumpetblasts? Fans, at least those fickle and at times impatient, have turned the large share of their allegiances elsewhere.

What happened to all those expected yards rushing and touchdowns? After all, Patrick has gained 1,009 and scored 12, respectively, in three seasons.

But hold the taps and recall the hearse. The patient is not dead. To the contrary, Patrick is alive and bustling, thinking, as always, in a positive vein about his final season at Alabama. He hears the com-

When Linnie Patrick is at his best, he produces an elusive target for opposing defenders. Penn State had trouble hemming him last year in Birmingham.

Crosby Thomley Photo

ments, many laced with suspicions— "That young man is going to waste his entire career," said a Tuscaloosa-based fan—but what his ears receive, his mind does not always buy.

"I don't see how anybody could say I'm wasting my years at Alabama," Patrick said about a week before the opening game of the season against Georgia Tech. when (egads!) he was listed as the third best halfback on the Crimson Tide offensive depth chart. "I haven't wasted a thing. I'm still living. I'm not in jail. I'm still in school working toward earning a degree. I'm still a part of the Alabama football program. Okay, so I haven't made All-Southeastern Conference or All-America. Okay, so I haven't rushed for 1,000 yards in a single season. Some things don't come as easily as some people think. Some things can't happen overnight. People just don't understand as much as they should before being so critical of me, and I'm through paying attention to what they have to say.

"Now, after hearing that everybody will probably say I'm being cocky. What I'm being is honest, and I can honestly say that I've got my head screwed on right this year."

Since everybody is being honest, it should be noted that Alabama will be a

better team this season if Patrick performs to expectations, whether or not they are totally fair. He is not large, 5-foot-10 and 183 pounds (down 10 pounds from his hulking reporting weight in August), but he is sneaky strong, waterbug quick, and butterfly elusive. His teammates, of whom he says, "They all love me and I love them," have seen enough of him to know he can be special WHEN he wants to put forth maximum effort.

Hear Mike Rodriguez, a senior middle guard who rooms with Patrick at Paul Bryant Hall, the athletic dormitory: "To us, Linnie is special. We know he can be great."

Hear Scott McRae, a senior linebacker who has had many turns trying to tackle Patrick during practice sessions: "You won't find many guys with the ability he has."

So, why have his numbers, yardage gained, and suspensions endured, been so unimpressive?

Well, it is a fact that he averages carrying the football only eight times a game. "I'm laughing right now, but it's not funny, really," Patrick said after pointing out that his busiest day at Alabama prior to this year came when he had nine rushes for "more than 100 yards, about 125," against Ole Miss.

He had 88 yards on nine carries against Georgia Tech on September 10.

So, what will happen the remainder of this season?

"I think Linnie's attitude has lacked something in the past," said Rodriguez. "It wasn't up to par, not quite as good as it is this year. He still has moves that can baffle people. I think he can be an All-American with ease."

Good gosh, here come those expectations again, after it has been proved that All-Americans run the football more than eight times a game, which is not stated as criticism of Alabama coaches, past or present. See, All-Americans also prove themselves in practice before they star in games, which is the nuts and bolts, perhaps, with which a statement by the late Coach Paul Bryant is anchored.

Said Bryant: "What I would give if I could reach that young man." He said that after Patrick made two crucial runs in the fourth quarter of a 28-17 come-frombehind victory over Auburn in 1981, the day The Coach became the winningest in collegiate history. He set up a touchdown with the first run, breaking five tackles en route—zig, zag and power evident along the way—then scored a touchdown with the second. "The first run was superhuman," said Bryant, "as fine as any as

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I've seen one of my players make."

A week later, Patrick was suspended from the team by Bryant for missing curfew.

Mmmm . . . maybe going up is not always worth the pain of coming down.

Or, as Patrick is prone to say at this junture, "When you're down, you've got to bounce back. That's where I'm at now. This is my last year, my final chance to win a national championship. I'm ready to get on with it. I'm excited, pumped up. Some of my teammates say I'm doing better now than ever before. That makes me want to try harder to please them.

"But I'm the one I've got to please the most. I've got individual goals, personal things that I'm interested in."

Is the best of Linnie Patrick ahead? "I'm not gonna say that. I'm willing to say that I'll give my best effort all the time this year, every day. I'm not all that dissatisfied with what I've done at Alabama, although there might have been times when I didn't go at it quite as hard as I should have, especially during practice.

"My biggest regret, you could say, is that I got in trouble and got suspended from the team. I've learned from that. It has already helped me a lot, and I'm sure that'll help me even more later in my life.

"I'm more mature. Given the chance, I think I can help the team a lot this year."

Therein, perhaps, lies the disappointment associated with what Patrick has accomplished as a collegiate player. He can be compared, it seems, to a wild stallion that is hard to saddle-break—and the competitive life of a college player, four years of game action, is not as long as that of a workhorse.

Could it be Bryant realized that during spring practice before the 1982 season, when he took Patrick to task during a lengthy scrimmage? Five consecutive times the junior running back ran into the heart of the first-team defense. He got up a little more slowly after every tackle. He stayed on the ground after the fifth tackle, which prompted the coach to charge toward him, to stand over him, to shout, "Get up, Linnie! Get up and . . ." and to send his weary player to the sidelines after he finally got back onto his feet.

Out of the corner of an eye, Bryant saw Patrick sling his helmet to the artificial turf. Again, he charged toward his running back, moving faster than he had in years.

Word of that episode spread quickly two newsmakers were involved—and the accounts were made somewhat false by exaggeration. Therefore, Bryant and Patrick were pictured as adversaries who had drawn battlelines for a war.

"You hear and read a lot about me that's just not true," Patrick said. "It has always been like that, and I never have particularly liked it.

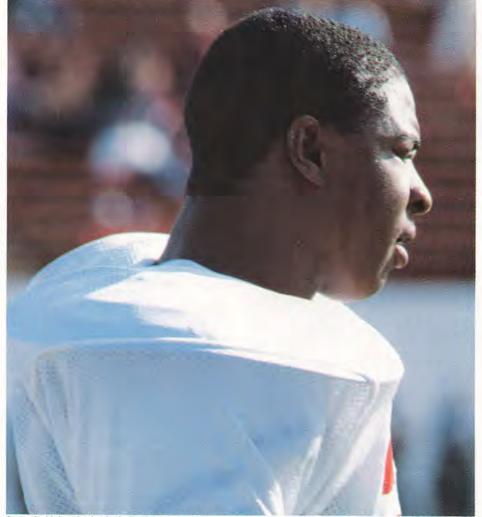
"Take that practice deal, for instance. That's the worst thing that's ever been told about me. People said Coach Bryant and I were fussing and fighting at practice. There was some fussing going on, but he was doing all of it. I respected him too much to talk back to him. The press made it look a lot worse than it really was. I understood Coach Bryant more than a lot of people did, I think, and I respected him a whole lot. I loved him to death, and I really think he loved me.

"Coach Bryant disciplined me a lot of times, and I always understood why. He was just trying to make me a better player. He wanted me to make runs all the time like I did against Auburn (in 1981). He wanted me to tap my potential. I appreciated that. That's what he was trying to develop that day at spring practice when he kept giving me the ball. Everybody has to be tested, and he wanted to check me out

"It was his job to discipline me, and he did that a lot. I did some things wrong. If he had let me get away with all those little things, what could he have told the other players on the team? My teammates would've never understood that. He did the right thing every time. I was the one who was wrong. He had every chance in the world to kick me off the football team, to boot me out of the program. But he stuck with me. I appreciate that, and I'll appreciate it more after I leave Alabama."

What we seem to have here, folks, is an ultratalented young man who is not free of growing pains, a personable athlete whose abilities on the football field have unfairly made him a focal point among fans.

"The friends I have are good ones," Patrick said. "I'm not as popular now in Jasper as I once was, because I'm not as famous there as I once was. Some friends stay and some friends go, but the good ones always stay beside you. That's what bothers me about fans. I don't care if they understand me, but I do wish they'd give me a chance. Some of them might have written me off. Maybe I can change that this season."



A star in high school, Linnie Patrick does not like to stand and watch the Crimson Tide in action during crucial games.

Joel Barnes Photo

### **October Opponents:**

## A Third Saturday . . . And More

The third Saturday in October has become special to Alabama football fans, because that is the day the Crimson Tide always faces Tennessee. The nation keeps a steady eye on that game. But with Penn State and Mississippi State on the schedule that month, too, there will indeed be crispness in the air, not simply weather-wise.



### by Kirk McNair

There are more than a few people who think of Crimson and Orange, not baseball slugger Reggie Jackson, when it comes to October. Historically, the third Saturday in October has produced one of college football's greatest rivalries, the Alabama-Tennessee game.

There have been 51 Southeastern Conference football championships won or shared by current league members since the formation of the SEC in 1933. Over half of those, 26, have gone to Alabama (18) and Tennessee (8). And neither has ever taken the crown with a loss to the other, making it the most pivotal annual contest in SEC history.

Although Tennessee won in Knoxville last year, Bama's recent dominance of the series has given the Tide a 34-24-7 edge in all games played.

Which is not to say that Tennessee is the only team which Alabama must be concerned with in October. In addition to Memphis State (which was previewed last month), the Tide takes on defending national champion Penn State and the team which Alabama has played the most (67 times) and beaten the most (53 times), Mississippi State.

Although scouting reports are subject to change because of injuries and individual performance, here is a look at Penn State, Tennessee and Mississippi State. 'BAMA subscribers will receive updates in weekly newsletters.

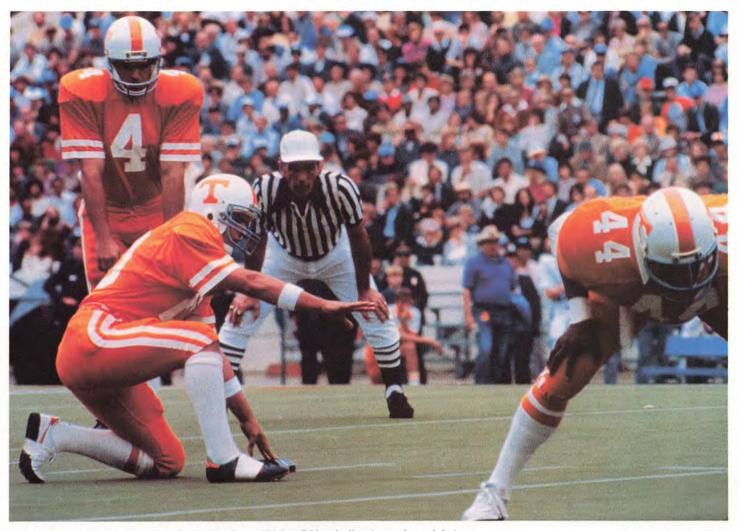
### PENN STATE 1:30 p.m. EDT October 8 University Park, Pa.

Penn State set something of a dubious record last year. Although the Nittany Lions won the national title, along the way they suffered the worst defeat any champion has ever endured, a 42-21 pasting at the hands of Alabama. It may not be a record, but Penn State is also off to an inglorious 1983 beginning, losing all of its first three games including being massacred at the hands of powerful Nebraska in the season-opener.

The Penn State story in the early going

Jon Williams has had outstanding games for Penn State in the past two meetings against Alabama.

Penn State Photo



A star at Tennessee is placekicker Fuad Raveiz (4), who can kick long field goals. He set several records last year.

University of Tennessee Photo

is somewhat explained by critical losses, including those of quarterback Todd Blackledge and tailback Curt Warner. But pre-season predictions projected as many as six Lions—tailback Jon Williams, flanker Kenny Jackson, defensive tackle Greg Gattuso, inside linebacker Scott Radecic, strong safety Harry Hamilton and safety Mark Robinson—as potential All-America players. Additionally, Penn State has a proven head coach in Joe Paterno, now in his 18th season as head coach and 34th year on the Penn State staff.

Paterno expected his team to be strong defensively and to improve quickly offensively. He opened the season with 35 returning lettermen, including nine starters and several others who were coregulars on last year's 11-1 team.

Quarterback was considered a question mark going into the season, although Paterno expressed confidence in the two top candidates, Dan Lonergan and Doug Strang. However, neither has been effective and Paterno is also using freshman John Shaffer, whom he had hoped to redshirt.

### TENNESSEE 1:30 p.m. October 15 Birmingham

I hile a scouting report on most teams concludes with a discussion of the kicking game, it is most apropriate to begin any talk of Tennessee in this area. Two juniors were record-setters last year. Faud Reveiz, placekicker, and Jimmy Colquitt, punter, are improving on the great tradition of Tennessee kickers. Last year Reveiz set an NCAA record by hitting eight of 10 field goals of over 50 yards and was good on 27 of 31 overall, as well as all 20 of his extra point attempts (and has more than 50 without a miss in his career). Colquitt averaged 46.9 yards per punt last year, which was second best in the nation. The only dropoff in the kicking game is in returns, where speedster Willie Gault has graduated.

For the first time in several years Coach Johnny Majors didn't wonder who would quarterback his team this season. Alan Cockrell bounced back from knee surgery last year and set Tennessee records for completions, yards passing

and (as a mark of his durability) total offense plays. Last year he was 18 of 29 for 192 yards and two touchdowns in a win over Alabama. However, two of his primary receivers—Gault and Mike Miller—have graduated. Chuck Coleman, who rushed for 139 yards against Alabama, is the tailback, but the big running story has been a big (6-2, 245) fullback, Sam Henderson. Tennessee has an experienced offensive line that includes all-star candidates in guard Bill Mayo and center Glenn Streno.

Defensively the bad news is that the secondary is being rebuilt with new players. The good news is that the defensive backs who graduated watched opponents complete 55 percent of their passes for an average of 212.6 yards per game last year, three foes passing for over 300 yards.

### MISSISSIPPI STATE 1:30 p.m. October 29 Tuscaloosa

ast year Mississippi State led the SEC in total offense, averaging 422 yards per game. However, the Bulldogs

managed only a 5-6 record. Coach Emory Bellard is generally credited as inventor of the wishbone (and State's wingbone version of it) and he has an experienced quarterback in senior John Bond, a four-year starter who was second in the SEC in total offense last year. He also has his favorite receiver, Danny Knight, returning. However, the offensive line was gutted by graduation. In the backfield, leading scorer Michael Haddix is gone, but return-

ing backs Henry Koontz, Al Rickey Edwards, Lamar Windham and George Wonsley return.

Defensively, State relies on the hard hitting of Billy Jackson, who has earned all-conference honors in no little part to the games he has had against Alabama in the past. He's moved from end to middle linebacker in State's four-three scheme. Clay Peacher, Ermon Green and Calvin Zanders are experienced inside linebackers,

while Carsno Mitchell is most impressive at end. The defensive front is also being rebuilt, but State is pleased with the performance of newscomers Elvis Butler and Pat Swoopes. Cornerbacks Kenneth Johnson and Cookie Jackson and safetymen Gary Lambert and Tom Nichols give State an experienced secondary.

State lost its outstanding kicking specialist of the past four years, Dana Moore, but has replaced him with Tim Parenton.

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### **Basketball Update:**

## **Inside Power Prompts Hope**

### by Tommy Deas

Last season, University of Alabama Basketball Coach Wimp Sanderson had to worry each game about his inside game collapsing. With just five players—centers Bobby Lee Hurt and Mark Farmer, and forwards Buck Johnson, Terry Williams and Cliff Windham—spread thinly over three inside positions, he had to rely on his talented backcourt to carry the team.

Senior guard Eric Richardson is the only backcourt player back this year with much playing experience, so Alabama may look inside this year with more frequency. The only loss in the frontcourt was Windham, and freshman signees Jerome White and Bruce Pettway will add depth.

Alabama will also have somewhat of a mystery man in forward Darrell Neal. Fans could be heard whispering last year about the 6-foot-8 forward who transferred from Oregon State. He had to sit out last season because of his transfer, but he is ready to make up for lost time.

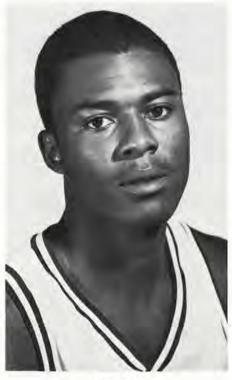
"I've been thinking about it all year long," he said. "I've been sitting down for two years and I'm ready to start playing. My attitude going into practice is everybody for themselves. I'm just going to go in and try to get a starting position. I know Coach Sanderson may have in his mind who is going to start, but I'm going to try to work my way into the starting lineup."

Sanderson says when the Crimson Tide starts practice October 15, Neal will have his chance.

"I think Darrell has had a year with us to kind of see how we do things, and the opportunity is there for him," he said. "It's up to him to take advantage of it. It's wide open. I think we may take a look at him at small forward and at the power forward positions. One of the things we need to see is if he can play the kind of defense we need to make our running game work."

What brings Neal to Alabama, all the way from his home town of Los Angeles?

"At Oregon State, I only got 28 minutes of playing time the whole year," he said. "It was just any interested school where I could get in right away and get right in the program. I was just interested in getting a scholarship, and Alabama had one and they offered it to me.



Darrell Neal

"I like it. It's a small place, and there's not much to do. It's quiet, and that's another thing I like about it. That's the way Oregon State was. It's a lot like that here. I won't say this is the only other place like that, but it's a good place."

Neal gave two Southeastern Conference schools—Vanderbilt and Tennessee—consideration when he was being recruited out of Los Angeles' Verbum Dei High School, but most of the schools that courted him were West Coast schools in the Pac-10 Conference. He averaged just 1.1 points-per-game at Oregon State, but he only played in 10 games his freshman year.

After that, he transferred, deciding on Alabama. Then he had to sit out a year, something he said has helped him grow.

"It helped me in a sense as far as my basketball," he said. "I think basketball is more of a job to me now than a way to get out of other things. It's something that I want to work at and improve in to try to further as a career."

While others are getting down on Alabama's chances this year with the loss of guards Ennis Whatley and Mike Davis to the National Basketball Association, Neal isn't ready to start mourning.

"Our guards can basically hold their own," he said. "Eric Richardson has been around for four years, and he knows what to do. And Terry (Conner, a freshman guard touted as last year's Alabama High School Player of the Year) is going to be pretty good at point guard.

"The big men are going to have to produce. We're going to have to grab rebounds and make our shots when we get them. If we can get Mark Farmer (a 6-11 junior) into the lineup, it will help our running, because he's about the best outlet passer I've ever seen for his size. I think we can be the best team in the SEC again in the fastbreak.

"I'd say we have the type team that could compare to a Houston last year, or a Georgetown. I think in the SEC it comes down to us and Kentucky."

The Crimson Tide doesn't have big names of UCLA and Georgetown on its schedule, as it did last year, but a couple interesting additions should make this year just as tough.

There is international flavor to the Crimson Tide schedule. Alabama will travel to Japan for the Suntory Bowl Classic with DePaul and Texas Tech. Sanderson said that DePaul "has a great team, but we're used to that after playing UCLA and Georgetown. I think we play pretty well in those type games."

Alabama also plays in the Cotton States Classic at Georgia Tech, which includes Michigan State and Nebraska, along with the host team.

The SEC schedule does not please Sanderson for a variety of reasons.

"One of the problems that we're having is that we have to open January 2, which interfere's with the day of the (football) bowls. One of the other things that makes me uncomfortable is that we'll be playing Kentucky on a Saturday and then go to Vanderbilt on Monday. That's two tough road games right together," he said.

Though he is somewhat worried about the trip after hearing about the South Korean plane being shot down, Neal sees merit in the jaunt to Japan.

"I've been there once when I was at Oregon State," he said. "It's a nice little experience. It helps the team a lot as far as notoriety is concerned, but I think we can get that just playing and winning."



Wilbur Jackson found the running easy on his dash against Tennessee in 1973. He benefitted from crisp blocking by a powerful offensive line.

Calvin Hannah Photo

## History Of Alabama Athletics Jackson Got 'Em With Thunder

by Bruce Graham

On October 15—the third Saturday, of course—most Crimson Tide football fans will be talking about revenge when the Tennessee Vols arrive at Legion Field to play the 66th game in a classic series.

Alabama owns a 34-24 advantage in the rivalry between the two Southeastern schools, and seven battles have ended in ties.

Included in these 34 victories was a 10-game win streak, which was abruptly ended last year in Knoxville, 35-28.

Even with the sight of the goal post being dismantled at Neyland Stadium and pandemonium breaking out near the banks of the Tennessee River, every Bama fan, though stunned, had to reflect on the 10-game win streak. The memories

are sweet. Last year, they were consolation.

To former All-SEC running back Wilbur Jackson, recently retired from the NFL and now residing in his hometown of Ozark, the Tennessee game of 1973 had special meaning.

"To know what the '73 game meant you would have had to have been in Knoxville in '72, because that game really had a wild finish and we felt we were lucky to win, and so did they (Tennessee)," said Jackson.

The 1972 game referred to by Jackson was the one where Alabama was behind 10-3 and managed to score two touchdowns in the last few minutes. Coach Bryant, in one of his many wise

decisions, decided to kick the PAT after the first, rather than going for two points, as expected. The reasoning was to force Tennessee to pass for a win, which, to his reasoning, could force a pivotal turnover, giving Alabama a chance to win the game. Just like most of Coach Bryant's decisions, you guessed it, Alabama put a fierce pass rush on Tennessee quarterback Condredge Holloway, forcing a fumble which the Crimson Tide recovered, setting up quarterback Terry Davis' run and score for the difference in a 17-10 victory.

"Since, we just barely escaped with our lives, everyone knew they (Tennessee) would be gunning for us back in Biringham in '73, so Coach Bryant didn't have to remind us of the importance of the

game," said Jackson.

A fter setting the stage for his favorite game of his three-year Alabama career, Jackson continued his story.

"Every year people thought that we, as a team, really did something special for the Tennessee game, but that's not true because Coach Bryant taught us to respect every opponent," Jackson said. "I think maybe every player and coach just tried to concentrate a little harder during the Tennessee week, so that our game plan would be understood and executed effectively, because a lot of Alabama teams have been made with victories over them.

"The thing most Alabama fans forget is that Tenenssee had a real fine team in 1973, with good players like Jack Reynolds, Haskel Stanback and Holloway, who was among the best athletes in the SEC, as well as the country at the time.

"Even with all this, both teams were highly ranked, where the winner could challenge for the national championship and be SEC champ, while the loser would be just an also-ran. ABC television did its part to promote both teams with national coverage.

"The thing I think was the most significant about the '73 game was the way we got out early, and Tennessee came back to tie. Then we exploded again with big plays."

Jackson remembers well, because it took the Crimson Tide just "seconds to get the first score of the game on a Gary Rutledge-to-Wayne Wheeler, 80-yard touchdown pass.

The second time Alabama gained possession of the ball and moved it in typcical wishbone fashion—64 yards in 12 plays, using five minutes and 49 seconds. Guess who scored. Jackson, doing the honors, ran into the end zone from the eight-yard line, giving the Crimson Tide a 14-0 lead in the first quarter.

At that point, Alabama faithfuls were sitting back breathing sighs of relief, only to find Holloway and his teammates had moved the ball 67 yards in five plays, and, after scoring, were behind only 14-7.

n the second quarter, after an Alabama punt and a Tennessee fumble, the patented triple-option offense moved the ball 60 yards in seven plays, capped by a Richard Todd-to-Willie Shelby pass to give Bama a two-touchdown advantage, 21-7.

Then the Vols forced their first turnover by intercepting a Todd pass, which allowed the Tennessee offense to get loose again with a 38-yard drive, ending with Holloway scrambling into the endzone to cut the margin to 21-14. That ended the scoring in the first half, as both teams

went to locker rooms to regroup and to plot strategy for the second half.

"In our locker room it was business as usual, with no big changes being made because we knew we had a good game plan. All we needed was execution and we could win," said Jackson.

The third quarter did not exactly go according to the plan, as Tennessee took the second-half kickoff and moved the ball 80 yards in five plays, tying the score in just two minutes and 20 seconds, 21-21.

After several punts and a missed field goal by Alabama, the fourth quarter arrived, and this one belonged to Alabama.

Jackson recalled the final 15 minutes: "At Alabama, Coach Bryant always wanted us to win the fourth quarter, and this was stressed every day at practice. To help emphasize how important it was, he (Coach Bryant) would substitute freely throughout the first three quarters, so the so-called first-liners would be rested and ready to win the fourth quarter.

"I don't think that any game while I was playing at Alabama was it more evident than against Tennessee that day in the fourth quarter.

"First, our defense stopped Tennessee and forced a punt, which Robin Cary returned for 64 yards to give us the lead (28-21). So it was up to our offense to give the defense some relief."

Relief came quickly for the Crimson Tide, and it was spelled J-A-C-K-S-O-N. It appeared with a 80-yard run for a touchdown that will probably go down as the prettiest, if not the timeliest, run in Alabama wishbone history.

The star described the play: "I took the option pitch from Gary Rutledge, and I remember I could see the whole field in front of me. That's when I patted lineman Buddy Brown on the rear and instintively cut back against the grain. The next thing I remember saying to myself is, 'If I can just outrun this Tennessee defender,' then another, and another. Soon there were no more to outrun, so all I had to do then was score. But a lot of credit has to go to our offensive line. And, of course, the other backs in a wishbone formation must sustain their blocks for any play to be successful."

While many people will remember Jackson from his college days at Alabama, he was virtually an unknown while in Ozark during his high school days.

"It was easy to choose Alabama, because I didn't have a lot of schools recruiting me. I only played two years of high school football. After I committed to Alabama, three other schools offered me a scholarship, but I wasn't going back on my word to Alabama, because I believe a

man should keep his word," said Jackson, who retired from NFL as a Super Bowl champion.

Were there any reservations about being the first black football player to sign a four-year grant-in-aid with the Crimson Tide? (John Mitchell was the first black player to sign, but transferred from a junior college.)

Jackson answered quickly and frankly: "No I didn't have any reservations about Alabama, because that's where I wanted to be. The only thing scary about Alabama was being 18 years old and leaving Ozark for the first time. That was pretty scary to me at the time."

Jackson explained his three-year Alabama career in this manner: "Playing at Alabama taught me to win, and that's why the 24-23 loss to Notre Dame (in the 1973 Sugar Bowl) is such a disappointment to me. That was for the national championship, and we were so close, but have nothing but a memory to show for it. Coach Bryant taught us so much, but I will always remember three things above them all: class, poise, and confidence in yourself. Those three things you can use in your everyday life, not just football. I was very fortunate to be a part of the Washington Redskins' Super Bowl championship team last season, so I have a world championship ring to wear. Retirement without (that) would have been empty."

Even though the Super Bowl is one of the most media-oriented sports events, it had a different meaning to Jackson. Word of Coach Bryant's death reached Pasadena as he was preparing for the game.

"I had heard it first from one of our trainers, but just figured it was one of the many rumors that circulate during a Super Bowl week. But when practice was over and I was approached by several reporters, I knew it was true," said Jackson, his mood growing more somber.

Even though the coach he played for and admired is gone, Jackson offers advice to Crimson Tide followers.

"I think it will be a big change for everybody, and it will look strange to all of us former players, but I think Alabama has a good coach for the overall program," Jackson said. "I don't know Coach (Ray) Perkins personally, but I know his reputation around the NFL, and that's the reputation of a winner.

Now that that famous play of the 1973 Tennessee game approaches its 10th anniversary season, we can all recall more about Jackson. The run only lasted 18 seconds, but Alabama fans, young and old, will remember it.

## BAMASCORECARD

### Nyet

Alabama has replaced the Russian National Team with the Dutch National Team (which is regarded as Europe's fourth best) on its basketball schedule December 21. Alabama joined other United States college teams in dropping the Soviet team from its schedule following the massacre of 269 people aboard a Korean Air Lines flight and the subsequent Russian attitude regarding the atrocity.

The cancellation means that Tide forward Buck Johnson won't be playing against a few members of the Soviet team he played against in the Junior World Championships in Spain. Johnson averaged 16 points per game in helping the United States team to the gold medal. America lost to the Soviet junior team in an early meeting, but came back to defeat the Russians for the championship. Buck had 27 points in a win over Yugoslavia, 23 in a loss to West Germany, both game highs.

### **Another Injury**

Alabama basketball signee Jerome White had some unexpected bad news for Coach Wimp Sanderson when he arrived on campus. An old knee injury was acting up. However, the good news is that White under went successful orthorscopic surgery and should be ready to go fullspeed when Bama practice begins October 15.

### Alabama Volunteers?

On picture day, several University of Alabama football players were asked what nickname they would favor, as well as why, if the Crimson Tide was not used for their team.

Willard Scissum: "The Alabama Generals, because we have a lot of discipline. That would fit us real good."

Mike Adcock: "Ray's Raiders, what else? Seriously, though, I think the Crimson Tide is the only one proper for us."

Malcolm Simmons: "I'm sort of partial to Volunteers. No, don't get me wrong. I've got nothing for Tennessee. It's just

that I went to Jeff Davis High School in Montgomery, and that was our nickname there."

Not one Alabama player suggested Tigers.

### Football Futures

Alabama has replaced Ole Miss, which wanted out of its contract for four non-Southeastern Conference counting games, through the 1987 season. Southwestern Louisiana will be on the Tide schedule September 22, 1984. Then Southern Miss, which is in the final year of a current contract with Bama, will replace the Rebels through 1987. All games will be in Alabama.

### **Cross Country**

The Alabama cross country team will have only one appearance in the state this year, running in Mobile's Azalea Invitational October 8. Seniors Colin Britten and Tim McCauley, as well as last year's Alabama prep champ Eric Constantine, hope to get Bama up from its last year's ninth place league finish. The SEC championships will be in Lexington November 5.

### Fall Baseball

Alabama's fall baseball schedule of 13 games continues through October 16. Bama was to play its alumni game at 10 a.m. October 1, meet Faulkner Junior College and Livingston October 2, George Wallace and Northwest Alabama October 8 and L. B. Wallace and Jeff State October 16. The Tide plays its games at 2 and 6 p.m.

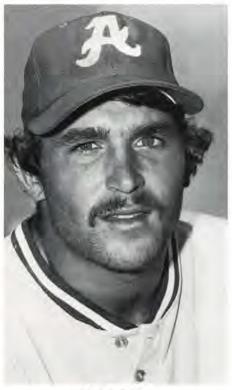
Refurbishing of Sewell-Thomas Field is still under way. The Tide, which finished second in the nation last year, will have a reworked playing surface, new dugouts and a sprinkling system. Tuscaloosa contractor John Plott donated equipment and work crews for the project.

### Bama Is Represented

In case you missed it, *The Sporting News* recently commissioned the panel of coaches to select the all-time best college football teams and players. Alabama made a dent in the results.

The 1979 Crimson Tide team, unbeaten, untied and the national champion, was picked as the fourth best team of all-time. It followed the 1971 Nebraska team—you probably remember that one, ouch!—the 1956 Oklahoma team and the 1972 Southern Cal team.

Guard John Hannah of Alabama and linebacker Lee Roy Jordan of Alabama were named to *The Sporting News* all-time team for offense and defense, respectively.



Alan Stallings

### Leaders

Tide outfielder Allan Stallings spent the summer playing the Shenandoah Valley League and led that competitive summer circuit in batting with a .385 average. He also had seven home runs. His former teammate, David Magadan, spent the summer with the New York Mets Columbia, South Carolina team and led his club with a .347 average. Magadan, who was the top all-around hitter in college

baseball last year, has been nominated for the Golden Spike Award. The winner of that award will be named by the United States Baseball Federation at the baseball winter meeting. Meanwhile, former Tide pitcher Dean Hayes is a step closer to making the United States baseball team to perform at the Olympics in Los Angeles. Hayes was selected to advance to a national tryout camp at Louisville, Kentucky October 22, 23.

### Staff Additions

Alabama's women's athletics programs have added several new staff members this summer. Vance Rose, formerly an assistant with the Alabama men's swimming program, is returning to Bama after having coached the City of Mobile Swimming Association team since 1978. He'll be an assistant coach under Don Gambril. Rose will be assisted by Theresa Ann Myers, who also serves as head coach for Tuscaloosa's age group team, University Aquatics Club. Her husband, Dr. Kirt Myers, is a former Tide swimmer.

Women's basketball coach Ken Weeks has added Sherri Rene' Blount as assistant coach and Kelley Hall as volunteer assistant club. Blount formerly played and coached at North Alabama, while Hall has been an assistant coach at Troy State.

### Supporters Going Strong

The Bridgeport (Pennsylvania) Boosters Club is still striking a blow for Alabama up its way. From Nicola comes word that the group recently honored three Crimson Tide female athletes at a meeting.

Tammi Williams, a Crimson Tide track star, Maise Chillano, a standout gymnast, and Penny Hawschild, a sophomore gymnast, were honored by the Bridgeport Boosters. John Nicola Jr., club president, served as emcee at a gala banquet.

### In Class Field

The people at Louisiana State University have dubbed the event the Omega Tennis Showcase, and they are saying it is "the top collegiate tennis tournament in the nation during fall." Alabama, the Southeastern Conference runnerup last spring, is among participants.

The Crimson Tide, ranked 14th nationally, will battle number 2 Southern Methodist, number 3 Southern Cal, number 4 Pepperdine, number 7 Arkansas and number 10 Texas, as well as Oklahoma State and LSU. The event will be staged October 7-9.

#### **New Coach**

Alabama has added a new member to its baseball staff, Mike Notaro, who was formerly at Leto High in Tampa, Florida. He has also spent the past six years working with the New York Yankees farm system.

### Ooops! Did It Say? . . .

The University of Alabama Swimming Newsletter had an interesting line in it during September. It said, "It was a lousy summer for Alabama swimmers and coaches as they represented their various home clubs and nations." Quickly, a correction was supplied readers, changing "lousy" to "busy." It could also have been fabulous, super, wonderful, fantastic or any of the above, given the fact the Crimson Tide was represented in magnificent fashion around the world as swimmers tuned for the 1984 Olympic Games.

By the way, you can look for Alabama to be well represented in the 1984 Olympic Games, particularly in swimming, where Coach Don Gambril will lead the United States Team AGAINST some of his students in the Crimson Tide program.

Did You Say "Fjore"

Although we rarely think of Sweden as being a golfing country, the University of Alabama has secured a prospect from there. Margareta "Mikk" Bjuro will play for the Lady Crimson Tide. She was an exchange student last year at Taylor Allerdice High School in Pittsburgh, after finishing ninth in the National Junior Championship in Sweden. She is from Viken, Sweden.

Also, the Lady Crimson Tide has secured the services of tennis standout Susan Mileham, eighth best in Cincinnati, and three runners for track, Tina Walls from Sante Fe Community College in Florida, Diana Horton from Barton County Community College in Kansas, and Sharon Stringfellow from Gentry High School in Indianola, Mississippi.

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| Sept. 10  | 7 @ ALABAMA 20   | 23 @ Tulane 27   | 14 Maryland 21                                | 10 @ North Carolina 24  | 3 Cincinnati 14  |
| Sept. 17  | 14 Furman 17   | 0 @ ALABAMA 40   | 29 Iowa State 26                              | 10 Virginia Tech 17   | 34 Iowa 42   |
| Sept. 24  | 14 @ Clemson 41  | 13 Arkansas 10   | 24 ALABAMA 44                                 |   | 23 @ Temple 18   |
| Oct. 1  | North Carolina   | Southern Miss  | @ Tulane                                      | @ ALABAMA   | @ Rutgers  |
| Oct. 8  | @ N.C. State   | Georgia  | @ Florida                                     | Tulane  | ALABAMA  |
| Oct. 15   | Auburn   | @ TCU  | Georgia                                       | Southern Miss   | @ Syracuse   |
| Oct. 22   | @ Tennessee  | Vanderbilt   | Ole Miss                                      | 12.15   | West Virginia  |
| Oct. 29   | @ Duke   | LSU  | Memphis St.                                   | @ Vanderbilt  | @ Boston College   |
| Nov. 5  | Virginia   |  | Kentucky                                      | @ Miss. State   | Brown  |
| Nov. 12   | Wake Forest  | @ Tennessee  | @ Va. Tech                                    | @ Cincinnati  | Notre Dame   |
| Nov. 19   |  | Miss. St.  |   | Arkansas St.  | @ Pittsburgh   |
| Nov. 26   | Georgia  |  | @ Tennessee                                   | @ Louisville<br>(Nov. 24)   |  |
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| Sept. 17  |  | 38 Navy 10   | 24 @ Rice 10                                  | 28 La. Tech 10  | 42 @ Rutgers 22  |
| Sept. 24  | 14 Auburn 37   | 12 Florida 35  | 40 Washington 14                              |   | 17 West Virginia 27  |
| Oct. 1  | Citadel  | @ Georgia  | Florida                                       | @ Ole Miss  | @ Temple   |
| Oct. 8  | LSU  | Southern Miss  | @ Tennessee                                   | Miss. State   | @ Yale   |
| Oct. 15   | @ ALABAMA  | Miami  | Kentucky                                      | @ Memphis St.   |  |
| Oct. 22   | Georgia Tech   | @ Auburn   | So. Carolina                                  | Tulane  |  |
| Oct. 29   | @ Rutgers  | @ ALABAMA  | @ Ole Miss                                    | SW Louisiana  | Penn State   |
| Nov. 5  |  | Memphis St.  | ALABAMA                                       | @ Louisville  | @ Army   |
| Nov. 12   | Ole Miss   | @ LSU  | Miss. State                                   | @ ALABAMA   | @ Syracuse   |
| Nov. 19   | @ Kentucky   | Ole Miss   | @ Tulane                                      | East Carolina   | Holy Cross   |
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Dear 'BAMA:

It was my understanding that the University of Alabama had an ice hockey team in the Southern Collegiate Hockey Association. Mention of the team has even been made in *Hockey News* magazine and the team was ultrasuccessful on the ice.

Over the past there has not been one reference to the team or the sport in 'BAMA. Could you please explain the situation to me so that I will not continue to be disappointed in this respect?

David A. Gass Longview, Texas

'BAMA covers intercollegiate sports under the auspices of the University of Alabama Athletics Association. The hockey team to which you refer is a club sport at Alabama-Huntsville, and it has been very successful. It is expected the Alabama-Huntsville hockey team will soon join the NAIA and be able to compete for the national championship at that level. Doug Ross is the coach and he has

recruited players from throughout the nation, as well as Canada. The team was begun by a Huntsville attorney, Joe Rich, in 1979 and initially was made up primarily of local players. During its first two seasons Alabama-Huntsville won the Southern Collegiate Hockey Association title. The team is now in the Central States Collegiate Hockey League, which includes Marquette, St. Norbert's, Illinois, Illinois State, Northwestern and Bradley. Last year Alabama-Huntsville was regular season champion with a 13-0 record. The team plays at the Von Braun Civic Center. which seats about 8,000, and averages over 3,000 per game and has played to over 6,000.

The University of Alabama has no facility for hockey and it is highly unlikely there will ever be a Crimson Tide hockey team.

Dear 'BAMA:

In the November, 1982 issue of 'BAMA in Scorecard you gave Alabama's all-time football record of 591-200-42 and Notre Dame's 626-173-39, but not Michigan's,

which is number two. Could you update all three of these records and also tell who is number four behind Alabama and give their record?

> Gordon White Farmington, New Mexico

Going into the 1983 football season, Notre Dame had the nation's all-time best winning percentage with a record of 627-176-40 for .7675, followed by Michigan at 640-213-31 and .7415, Alabama at 593-203-42 and .7327, Texas at 615—221-30 and .7275, and Southern Cal at 552-204-48 and .7164. Other Southeastern Conference teams among the top 25 all-time winningest teams are Tennessee ninth at 542-244-46 and .679, LSU 15th at 502-273-43 and .640, and Georgia 18th at 505-291-49 and .627.

In terms of total victories, Alabama ranks fourth. Michigan is first, Notre Dame second, Texas third and Penn State fifth with 579 wins. Among other SEC teams, Tennessee is ninth, Georgia 13th and LSU 15th.

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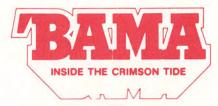
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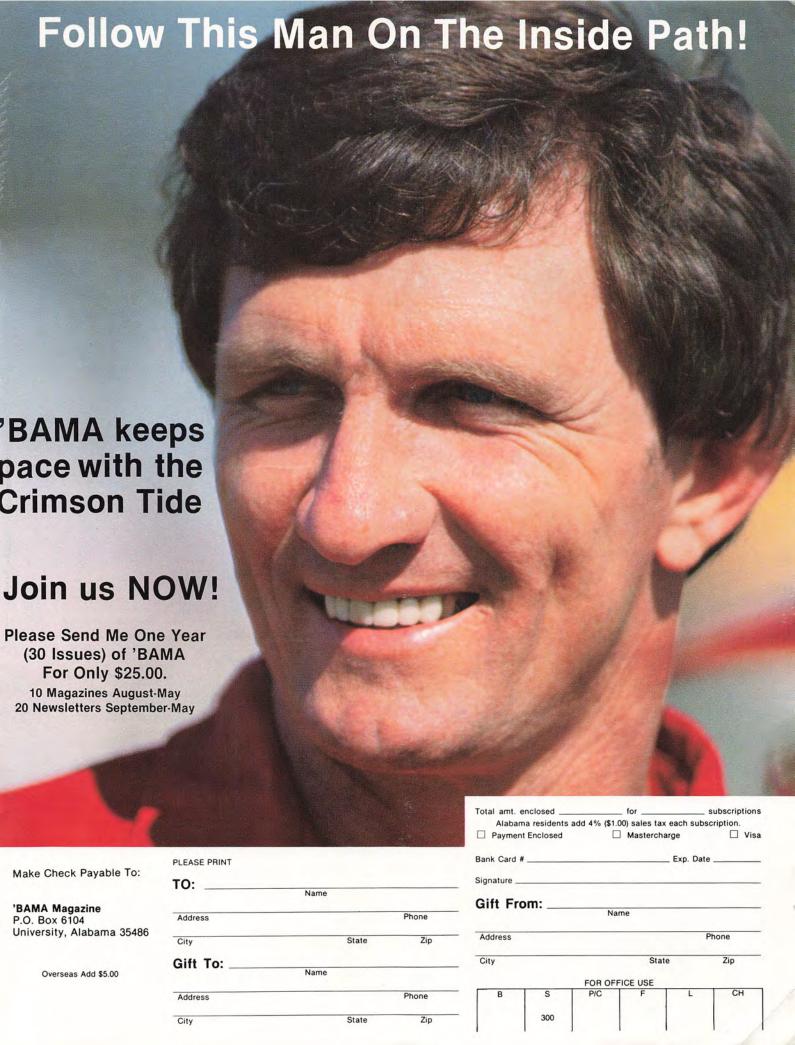
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